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# MULTIMEDIA UNIVERSITY

## FINAL EXAMINATION

TRIMESTER 2, 2018/2019

### PPH0105 – MODERN PHYSICS & THERMODYNAMICS (Foundation in Engineering)

5 MARCH 2019  
2.30p.m – 4.30p.m  
(2 Hours)

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#### INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

1. This question paper consists of **THREE** printed pages, excluding the cover page and appendixes, with **FIVE** questions.
2. Answer **ALL** questions. The distribution of the marks for each question is given.
3. Write all your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.
4. All necessary workings **MUST** be shown.

Answer **ALL** questions.

**QUESTION 1: [10 Marks]**

a) A certain transverse wave is described by

$$y = (14.4) \cos \left[ 2\pi \left( \frac{t}{0.03} - \frac{x}{15} + \frac{1}{6} \right) \right]$$

where  $y, x$  are in millimeter and  $t$  is in second, Determine the wave's

- i) amplitude, wavelength, frequency, speed of propagation and direction of propagation. (4 marks)
- ii) Determine the displacement,  $y$  of the transverse wave at point  $x = 5$  mm and  $t = 0.15$  s. (1 mark)

b) i) What is Doppler effect? (1 mark)

ii) A car sounds its horn while approaches a stationary observer at a constant speed. The frequency detected is 106 Hz. After the car goes by, the observer hears a frequency of 100 Hz. What could be the speed of the car? (The speed of sound in air is 340 m/s) (4 marks)

**QUESTION 2: [10 Marks]**

a) If 700 nm and 600 nm light passes through two slits 0.60 mm apart, how far apart are the second-order fringes for these two wavelengths on a screen 2.0 m away? (5 marks)

b) The prism in Figure Q2 has an index of refraction of 1.40. Light is incident at an angle of  $15^\circ$ . Find the angle  $\phi$  at which the light emerges. (5 marks)

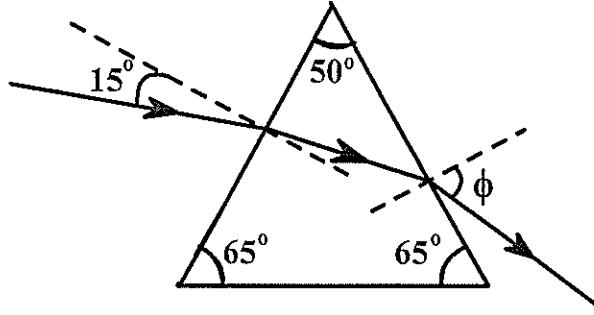


Figure Q2

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**QUESTION 3: [10 Marks]**

a) What is electronvolt? (1 mark)

b) What is the energy in a photon of green light of wavelength  $5.46 \times 10^{-7}$  m. Give your answer in electronvolts. (2 marks)

c) State Einstein's photoelectric equation and explain each term. (2 marks)

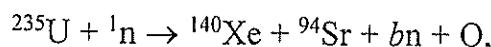
d) Sketch a graph of the maximum kinetic energy of photoelectrons as a function of the incident frequency of light on a material when the photoelectric effect takes place. (2 marks)

e) Sketch a graph of current against the retarding potential for two different intensities of light. Show the stopping potential. (3 marks)

**QUESTION 4: [10 Marks]**

a) A sample of organic material is found to contain 18.0 g of carbon and has an activity of 86.5 decays / min. It is known that carbon from a living organism has a decay rate of 15.0 decays / min.g and  $^{14}\text{C}$  has a half-life of 5730 year. How old is the organic material? (4 marks)

b) A typical fission reaction in a nuclear power plant is



where mass of :  $^{235}\text{U} = 235.043923$  u,  $^{140}\text{Xe} = 139.921636$  u,  $^{94}\text{Sr} = 93.915360$  u,  $n = 1.008665$  u, and  $b$  is some number of neutrons.

i) What is the value of  $b$ ? (1 mark)

ii) Calculate the energy produced,  $Q$ . (2 marks)

iii) Calculate the mass of the  $^{235}\text{U}$  consumed each year by a 300 MW power plant operating at 60% efficiency of conversion of heat to electricity. (3 marks)

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**QUESTION 5: [10 Marks]**

a) Define Heat. (1 mark)

b) Two equal mass objects make up a system that is thermally isolated from its surroundings. One object has an initial temperature of  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  and the other has an initial temperature of  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ . What is the equilibrium temperature of the system, assuming that no phase changes take place for either object? (The hot object has a specific heat capacity twice that of the cold object.) (4 marks)

c) A leaf of area  $20 \text{ cm}^2$  and mass  $2.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg}$  directly faces the Sun on a clear day. The leaf has an emissivity of 0.85 and a specific heat of  $3350 \text{ J/kg} \cdot \text{K}$ . On a clear day, about  $1000 \text{ W/m}^2$  reaches the Earth's surface. Estimate the rate of rise of the leaf's temperature. (5 marks)

**End of paper**

## APPENDIX I

### LIST OF PHYSICAL CONSTANTS

Electron mass,	$m_e$	=	$9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg
Proton mass,	$m_p$	=	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
Neutron mass,	$m_n$	=	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
Magnitude of the electron charge,	$e$	=	$1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ C
Universal gravitational constant,	$G$	=	$6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ N.m <sup>2</sup> / kg <sup>2</sup>
Universal gas constant,	$R$	=	$8.314$ J/mol.K
Hydrogen ground state,	$E_0$	=	13.6 eV
Boltzmann's constant,	$k_B$	=	$1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K
Compton wavelength,	$\lambda_c$	=	$2.426 \times 10^{-12}$ m
Planck's constant,	$h$	=	$6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ J.s
		=	$4.14 \times 10^{-15}$ eV.s
Speed of light in vacuum,	$c$	=	$3.0 \times 10^8$ m/s
Rydberg constant,	$R_H$	=	$1.097 \times 10^7$ m <sup>-1</sup>
Acceleration due to gravity of earth,	$g$	=	9.80 m/s <sup>2</sup>
1 unified atomic mass unit,	1 u	=	931.5 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>
		=	$1.66 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
1 electron volt,	1 eV	=	$1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ J
Avogadro's number,	$N_A$	=	$6.023 \times 10^{23}$ mol <sup>-1</sup>
Threshold of intensity of hearing,	$I_0$	=	$1.0 \times 10^{-12}$ W/m <sup>2</sup>
Coulomb constant,	$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$	=	$9.0 \times 10^9$ N.m <sup>2</sup> /C <sup>2</sup>
Permittivity of free space,	$\epsilon_0$	=	$8.85 \times 10^{-12}$ C <sup>2</sup> /N.m <sup>-2</sup>
Permeability of free space,	$\mu_0$	=	$4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ T.m/A
1 atmosphere pressure,	1 atm	=	$1.0 \times 10^5$ N/m <sup>2</sup>
		=	$1.0 \times 10^5$ Pa
Wein's displacement constant		=	$0.2898 \times 10^{-2}$ m.K
Speed of Sound in Air		=	343 m/s
Refractive index of air/vacuum	$n$	=	1.0
Earth: Mass,	$M_E$	=	$5.97 \times 10^{24}$ kg
Radius (mean),	$R_E$	=	$6.38 \times 10^3$ km
Moon: Mass,	$M_M$	=	$7.35 \times 10^{22}$ kg
Radius (mean),	$R_M$	=	$1.74 \times 10^3$ km
Sun: Mass,	$M_S$	=	$1.99 \times 10^{30}$ kg
Radius (mean),	$R_S$	=	$6.96 \times 10^5$ km
Earth-Sun distance (mean),		=	$149.6 \times 10^6$ km
Earth-Moon distance (mean),		=	$384 \times 10^3$ km

## APPENDIX II

### LIST OF FORMULAS

$$\sin \theta_1 + \sin \theta_2 = 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

$$\cos \theta_1 + \cos \theta_2 = 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

$$\sin \left( \theta + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \cos \theta$$

$\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \theta$  rad for small angle

$$D(x, t) = D_M \sin(kx \pm \omega t \pm \phi)$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{F_r}{\mu}}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{\text{elastic property of the medium}}{\text{inertia property of the medium}}}$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{2}{n} L$$

$$f' = f \left( \frac{v \pm v_o}{v \mp v_s} \right) \quad \frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = (n - 1) \left\{ \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right\}$$

$$d \sin \theta = m \lambda$$

$$d \sin \theta = \left( m + \frac{1}{2} \right) \lambda$$

$$\lambda_m T = 0.2898 \times 10^{-2} \quad I(\lambda, T) = \frac{2\pi c k_B T}{\lambda^4}$$

$$E_n = -\frac{mk^2 Z^2 e^4}{2\hbar^2} \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \right)$$

$$r_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{mkZe^2} n^2$$

$$L = mv r_n = n \hbar$$

$$\hbar = h/2\pi$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = R_H \left[ \frac{1}{n_i^2} - \frac{1}{n_f^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{mk^2 Z^2 e^4}{4\pi c \hbar^3} \left[ \frac{1}{n_f^2} - \frac{1}{n_i^2} \right]$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

$$\Delta E = hf$$

$$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$R = R_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\ln 2}{T \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$Q = (M_x - M_y - M_o) c^2$$

$$\Delta L = \alpha L_0 \Delta T$$

$$PV = nRT$$

$$k = \frac{R}{N_A}$$

$$Q = mc \Delta T$$

$$Q = mL$$

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t} = -kA \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta L}$$

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t} = e \sigma A T^4$$

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t} = I e A \cos \theta$$

$$\overline{KE} = \frac{1}{2} m \bar{v}^2 = \frac{3}{2} kT$$

$$U = \frac{f}{2} nRT$$

$$\Delta U = \frac{f}{2} nR \Delta T$$

$$Q = \Delta U + W$$

$$W = \int dW = \int_{V_i}^{V_f} P dV$$

$$W = P(V_f - V_i)$$

$$W = nRT \ln \left( \frac{V_f}{V_i} \right)$$